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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Jay Rossiter, et al.

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Filed: August 31, 2001

For: TECHNIQUES FOR MANAGING
CONFIGURATION FOR A SYSTEM OF
DEVICES ARRANGED IN A NETWORK

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REPLY TO THE NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANCE UNDER

37 CFR § 1.192(C)

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Sir:

This is in response to the Notification of Non-Compliance mailed October 21,

2003, the shortened statutory period for which runs until November 21, 2003.

REMARKS

The objections raised by the Notification of Non-compliance have been fully addressed in the new brief accompanying this reply.

Specifically, the Applicants have amended their Appeal Brief to clarify that no claim has been amended or added after the final rejection.

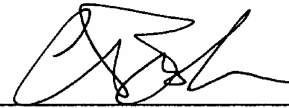
It is respectfully submitted that the Appeal Brief is in full compliance with 37 CFR § 1.192. Therefore, the consideration of the Applicants' Appeal Brief is believed in order, and that action is most earnestly solicited.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is believed that such contact would further the examination of the present application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any fee shortages or credit any overages Deposit Account No. 50-1302.

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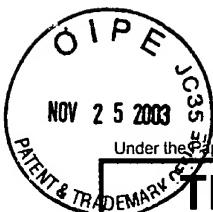
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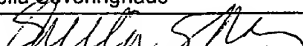
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